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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir:

- 1) This paper includes only "Comments on Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance" and thus does **NOT** trigger a reduction of the Patent Term Adjustment (PTA).
- 2) This application includes two independent claims, namely claims 24 and 48. The Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth with the Notice of Allowability dated December 27, 2006 applies to claim 48 with a minor clarification, but does not apply to claim 24.
- 3) With regard to claim 48, the last two lines of the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance must be clarified as follows:
". . . and the second area, respectively, are allocated to and communicate with the data first or second data processing device, respectively, on-board the vehicle".

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- 4) The significant features of the "first and second data processing devices" and the "first and second memory areas" discussed in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance do not pertain to claim 24, and are not features or limitations of claim 24. Instead, those features are first introduced in claim 37 depending from claim 24. Thus, those features are not required for the patentability of claim 24. Instead, claim 24 is patentable for the reasons of record at pages 10 to 17 of applicants' Response dated October 6, 2006. The prior art of record does not disclose and would not have suggested the combination of features actually recited in claim 24, without regard to first and second data processing devices and first and second memory areas.
- 5) Entry of these comments for clarification of the record is respectfully requested.

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